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SUBJECT: RESPONSE TO FOURTH OF JULY MESSAGE TO THE PRESIDENT FROM TOGOLESE PRESIDENT EYADEMA

1. FOLLOWING MESSAGE WAS RECEIVED AT WHITE HOUSE FROM PRESIDENT EYADEMA. QUOTE: DEAR MR. PRESIDENT: WE TAKE SPECIAL PLEASURE ON THE OCCASION OF THE CELEBRATION OF THE BICENTENNIAL OF YOUR COUNTRY'S INDEPENDENCE IN CONVEYING TO YOU, AND THROUGH YOU TO THE AMERICAN PEOPLE, THE SINCERE CONGRATULATIONS OF THE TOGOLESE PEOPLE, THEIR GOVERNMENT, AND THEIR MOVEMENT OF NATIONAL UNION, THE RALLY OF THE TOGOLESE PEOPLE. WE ASK YOU TO ACCEPT OUR GOOD WISHES FOR YOUR HEALTH AND FOR THE EVER-GROWING PROSPERITY OF YOUR COUNTRY. THE EXCELLENT RELATIONS OF FRIENDSHIP AND COOPERATION WHICH HAVE ALWAYS EXISTED BETWEEN OUR TWO COUNTRIES ARE GRATIFYING TO US. VERY HIGH CONSIDERATION. GENERAL GNASSINGBE EYADEMA. UNQUOTE.

2. FOLLOWING RESPONSE FROM PRESIDENT FORD SHOULD BE UNCLASSIFIED

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DELIVERED TO PRESIDENT EYADEMA: QUOTE: DEAR MR. PRESIDENT:

ON BEHALF OF THE AMERICAN PEOPLE, MRS. FORD AND I THANK YOU FOR YOUR MOST WELCOME MESSAGE OF GOOD WISHES ON THE COMMEMORATION OF THE 200TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE NATION'S INDEPENDENCE. AS WE ENTER OUR THIRD CENTURY, THE UNITED

STATES REDEDICATES ITSELF IN WORD AND DEED TO THE PRINCIPLES OF LIBERTY, EQUALITY AND INDIVIDUAL DIGNITY. WE DO SO WITH THE ANTICIPATION AND CONFIDENCE THAT RELATIONS BETWEEN OUR COUNTRIES WILL CONTINUE TO FLOURISH. SINCERELY, GERALD R. FORD. UNQUOTE.

3. NO RELEASE INTENDED, BUT NO OBJECTION IF RECIPIENT INTENDS TO DO SO. KISSINGER

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